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**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 1, between the title of the application and line 1 ("BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION"), please amend the section "CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS" as follows.

**CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application is a continuation of US Serial No. ~~09/121,491~~ 09/121,591 filed 24 July 1998, now US 6,619,865 B1, which is a continuation of US Serial No. 08/608,725 ~~filed 2 February~~ filed 29 February 1996, now US 5,801,864, which is a continuation of US Serial No. 08/233,974 filed 28 April 1994, now US 5,510,921, which is a continuation of US Serial No. 07/800,255 filed 29 November 1991, now US 5,321,540.